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Admiral Wright to Replace Kirk As Envoy to Nationalist China

New Ambassador Expected to
Keep Up Pressure Against
Chiang's Invasion Plan

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WASHINGTON, April 1 — President Kennedy has found another admiral, Jerauld Wright, to replace Adm. Alan G. Kirk in the difficult post of Ambassador to Nationalist China.

Admiral Kirk is 73 years old and has been ill. His resignation and replacement by Admiral Wright are expected to be announced soon.

Admiral Wright is 64. From 1954 until early 1960, he was Commander in Chief of naval forces in the Atlantic for both the United States and North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

He now is on the Board of National Estimates, a 12-man senior advisory group in the Central Intelligence Agency. The board seeks to estimate the military power of other nations.

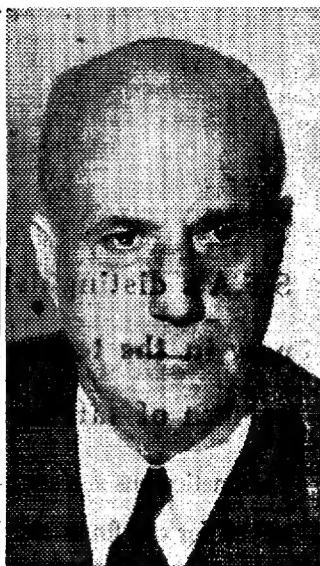
The selection of another admiral as Ambassador was regarded here as significant. Like Admiral Kirk, Admiral Wright has had extensive experience in combat, particularly in amphibious operations.

This background, it is believed here, may be useful in helping to restrain the more extreme ambitions of the Nationalist Chinese leader, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and some of his officials for military expeditions to the Chinese mainland. The United States Government has feared that a miscalculation in this matter might set off hostilities that would involve this country.

Admiral Kirk has succeeded in putting the American point of view before the Nationalists.

Admiral Wright, who helped plan the amphibious invasions of Tunisia, Sicily, Salerno and Okinawa in World War II, would be counted upon to exert the same influence.

Admiral Kirk's tenure at Taipei, the Nationalists' capital, was brief. President Kennedy announced his appointment as ambassador on May



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Admiral Jerauld Wright

18, 1962. He was confirmed by the Senate a week later to succeed Everett F. Drumright, a Foreign Service officer.

The White House confirmed today that the President had suggested to the Indian Government a replacement for Dr. John Kenneth Galbraith, now ambassador to New Delhi.

Pierre Salinger, the White House press secretary, would not say whose name had been submitted, pending his approval by India. Other sources have disclosed that the nominee is Chester Bowles, a former ambassador to India, a former Under Secretary of State, and now the President's adviser on the underdeveloped nations.

The nomination of George C. McGhee, also a former Under Secretary of State, for ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, was sent to the Senate today. His appointment had been announced previously.

The White House also sent to the Senate today the nomination of Roger Hilsman Jr. to be Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs. Mr. Hilsman, the State Department's intelligence chief, will replace W. Averell Harriman, who has been made Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs.